PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

CLERK'S OFFICE

NOTICE OF FILING

DOCKET NO. 2018-74-WS

Application of Carolina Water Service, Inc. for Approval of a Franchise Agreement between Carolina Water Service, Inc. and York County, South Carolina

Carolina Water Service, Inc. (CWS or the Company) has filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) for approval of a Franchise Agreement by and between CWS and York County, South Carolina. CWS owns and operates a water system and sewer system in York County pursuant to a Franchise Agreement dated January 28, 1992, where it serves 4,056 water customers and 3,536 sewer customers in a defined area of the county (Franchise Area). CWS has negotiated an extension of its Franchise Agreement with York County for a period of 25 years through February 5, 2043. A copy of the Franchise Agreement is attached to the Application as Exhibit A, and a copy can be obtained on the Commission's Docket Management System under Docket No. 2018-74-WS. If the Commission approves the Franchise Agreement, CWS will provide service to its customers in the Franchise Area according to the terms of the Franchise Agreement and pursuant to all of the terms, conditions, rates and charges set forth in the Company's rate schedule as may be on file with the Commission and in effect from time to time. In sum, CWS requests that the Commission approve the Franchise Agreement with York County as in the public interest and authorize the Company to recover all payments, fees, and charges agreed to in the Franchise Agreement as prudent, just, and reasonable. The Application was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-541 and 103-743.

A copy of the company's Application can be found on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov under Docket No. 2018-74-WS. Additionally, a copy of the application is available from the corporate office of Scott Elliott, Esquire, Elliott & Elliott, PA and Charles L.A. Terreni, Esquire, Terreni Law Firm, LLC, 1508 Lady Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a party of record, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **April 23, 2018**, by filing the Petition to Intervene with the Commission, by providing a copy to the Office of Regulatory Staff and by providing a copy to all parties of record. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. **Please refer to Docket No. 2018-74-WS and mail a copy to all other parties in this docket.** Any person who seeks to intervene and who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and the company at the above address, on or before **April 23, 2018**. **Please refer to Docket No. 2018-74-WS.**

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission located at 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Application. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

For the most recent information regarding this docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to www.psc.sc.gov and *Docket No. 2018-74-WS*.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100 or visit its website at www.psc.sc.gov.